

Art and Artists - Painting

Heath Painting of Santa Cruz

Miscellaneous information extracted from Margaret Rogers, Santa Cruz Artist, several years before she passed away. Interviewed by Elisabeth Barnes.

The large painting of Santa Cruz which now hangs in the California Room, was painted by Frank Heath in 1892.

Fred Hihn (grandfather of Donald Younger) sent the painting to the International Jury of the Chicago Fair and it was refused. Incensed, Mr. Hihn then sent it to the California Exhibit at the Chicago Fair (1893) where it was exhibited.

Mr. Hihn and other interested citizens purchased the painting from Mr. Heath for \$500. (Mr. Hihn was said to have contributed \$100.) A new frame costing \$100 was put on, and the picture was presented to the Public Library. (The frame was purchased for \$100 by Mr. Hihn.

Miss Rogers thought the View was from Noell Heights (near the Torchiana property)